

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CRIMINAL MINUTES – GENERAL

Case No. LA CR24-00751-MWC

Date January 17, 2025

Present: The Honorable Michelle Williams Court, United States District Judge

Interpreter

T. Jackson

CourtSmart

Cassie Palmer

*Deputy Clerk**Court Reporter/Recorder**Assistant U.S. Attorney*U.S.A. v. Defendant(s):Present Cust. BondAttorneys for Defendants: Present App. Ret.

Joseph Benza, III

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Edward Robinson, Ret.
Tom Yu, Ret.

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Proceedings: CHANGE OF PLEA (DKT. 3)

X	Defendant moves to change his plea to an Information.
X	Defendant is sworn.
X	Defendant enters a new and different plea of GUILTY to Count 1.
X	The Court advises the defendant of his Constitutional rights and questions the defendant regarding the plea of GUILTY. The Court finds there is an independent factual basis for the plea and further finds the plea is made freely, intelligently and voluntarily, and with a full understanding of the nature of the charges, the consequences of the plea and of defendant's Constitutional rights. The Court accepts the plea and orders that the plea be entered.
X	The Court refers the defendant to the Probation Office for investigation and a complete report and the matter is continued to <u>July 25, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.</u> for sentencing. Sentencing position papers shall be filed <u>July 11, 2025</u> . Counsel shall contact the clerk if counsel do not intend to file sentencing position papers.
X	The Court vacates the pretrial conference and jury trial date for this defendant.
X	The Court, with the concurrence of the Government, allows the defendant to remain on bond and advises of the consequences of a violation of terms and conditions or a failure to appear.

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Clerk

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